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SUBJ: AUSTRALIAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS: REFERENCE TO
TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY ON DRILLING MACHINES

REF: (A) CANBERRA 3295, (B) CANBERRA 8457 (BOTH NOTAL)

1. MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ANNOUNCED NOVEMBER 25
THAT REFERENCE HAS BEEN SENT TO TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE
AUTHORITY (TAA) ON QUESTION OF NEED FOR URGENT ACTION TO
PROTECT LOCAL INDUSTRY AGAINST IMPORTS OF MANUALLY-FED
DRILLING MACHINES HAVING A DRILLING CAPACITY IN MILD STEEL NOT
EXCEEDING 60 MM. IN DIAMETER. PRODUCT FALLS WITHIN TARIFF
ITEM 84.45.3 IN SCHEDULE 1 TO CUSTOMS TARIFF ACT 1966 AS
PROPOSED TO BE ALTERED OTHER THAN POWER FED DRILLING MACHINES.

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2. PUBLIC INQUIRY WILL BE HELD IN CANBERRA ON DECEMBER 8,

AND INTENDING WITNESSES SHOULD SUBMIT THREE COPIES OF THEIR EVIDENCE TO TAA, P.O. BOX 80, CANBERRA A.C.T. 2600 PRIOR TO DECEMBER 8.

3. REFTEL A REPORTS SOLICITATION OF VIEWS ON NEED FOR PROTECTION BY DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE (DIC), WITH VIEWS TO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY MAY 21, 1976. REFERRAL TO TAA, COMING AS IT DOES SIX MONTHS AFTER INITIAL ACTION BY DIC, HIGHLIGHTS POINT MADE PARA ONE REFTEL B. VOLUME OF CABLES REPORTING AUSTRALIAN INVESTIGATINS OF NEED FOR IMPORT RESTRICTIONS IS NOT AN INDICATOR OF EXTENT OF RESTRICTIVE MEASURES BEING TAKEN BY AUSTRALIA.

4. AS STATED REFTEL A, IMPORTS OF DRILLING MACHINES FROM U.S. ARE INSIGNIFICATN.
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